

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re Application of:

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For: Polynucleotide Encoding A Polypeptide  
Having Heparanase Activity and  
Expression of Same in Genetically  
Modified Cells

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Action dated October 3, 2005. Because this response is being filed on or before February 3, 2006, and is being submitted along with a request for a one-month extension of time (along with the appropriate fee), this response is timely.

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